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Nearly Half Million Employed By U. S. in Civil Service

Age and Feebleness Do Not Lose Employers. Their Jobs—Many Wheeled to Work in Invalid's Chairs.
By FREDERIC J. HASKIN.

APPROXIMATELY 460,000 persons find employment in the executive civil service of the United States. Add to these those who do work for the government by contract, such as star route mail carriers, and those who are connected with the legislative and judicial branches of the government, and it will appear that there are approximately half a million people working for Uncle Sam.

The Classified Service.
About half of the government work is known as the classified service; that is, they are men and women who have been appointed after competitive examination, or the who occupied positions when they became subject to examination. The United States annually expends over a hundred million dollars for salaries and wages. These salaries range from the \$75,000 paid to the president of the United States down to the minimum of \$1.00 a year for a backwoods postmaster, determined by the cancellation of the postage stamps on mail orders.

President Appoints Higher Officials.
Government employees get their positions in different ways. The president directly appoints nearly 10,000 of them. These are the higher officials of the government, such as cabinet officers and their chief assistants, the department heads, the United States marshals, district attorneys, heads of important bureaus, and members of various commissions and other organizations.

About a quarter of a million employees secure their positions through competitive examinations taken under the auspices of the civil service commission, a body which has in charge the enforcement of the provisions of the federal civil service law. Nearly 200,000 receive their appointments as said to be in the unclassified service. Many of these are in positions where mental qualifications are not as essential as physical strength, most of them being manual laborers.

Some Serious Problems.
The maintenance of a competent force for the operation of the machinery of the federal government always has involved many serious problems. During the earlier part of the first century of national existence positions in the federal service were distributed under what was known as the "spoils system." When a new political party came into power, it considered that one of its first duties was to turn out the entire force which had administered affairs under the former administration, and to put its own adherents into their places. The evils of the "spoils system" continued to grow more marked until 1883, when the civil service act was passed, and the present merit system had its beginning.

Is Fast Improvement.
That this system of appointing government employees and keeping them in office has been a vast improvement over the old patronage system is agreed by all. But even with this plan of maintaining an efficient force, certain objections have arisen. One of these is that employees continue in the service long after the period of their efficiency is passed, and when they are no longer able to render satisfactory return for their salaries. It is agreed that the government should not turn them out of the service, and yet it is realized that they have passed their term of usefulness. To keep them in the positions after they have become unable to do their work is to adopt, without any law therefore, a sort of old age pension system.

Decrepit Clerks.
There are clerks in the government service who have to be wheeled to their desks in roller chairs, and others have been known to continue on the federal payroll long after they have passed the age of 80 years. Although the law strictly requires efficiency in the public service to be maintained, the average departmental chief feels that it would be impractical to send old clerks out, and so they continue in the service. It is estimated that one out of every 14 government employees in the city of Washington is over 65 years old.

Pension System Out of Question.
As long as there is no law requiring compulsory retirement after a certain age limit there is no hope of eliminating these people from the service. Of course, Congress could pass a law which would require retirement without making some sort of provision for the clerks after they are retired. A straight out civil pension is held by many to be out of the question, since it would involve the payment by the government of large sums of money to a large number of people who were no longer rendering any return therefor. Another proposal has been brought up which probably will eventually be enacted into law. This proposal is that a certain amount shall be deducted each month from the salaries of government employees and placed in a retirement fund which the government will administer.

Douglas Strives for First Class.
Must Have 1000 Names on Register and Lacks Only 100.

Douglas, Ariz., May 14.—One thousand names upon the city register is the number needed if Douglas is to rank as a first class city. Less than that number will place the city in the second class under the new ruling of the present legislature. About 100 more are needed.

One of the handsomest, most strongly built auto trucks yet brought to Douglas has been placed in service as an ice delivery car. It will be utilized in the smelter and other places where ice is delivered.

Labor is becoming scarce in all parts of the southwest, according to J. E. Steele, a Tucson labor agent, who was here for the purpose of securing men to work on the track laying extra of the El Paso & Southwestern west of Beason. Mr. Steele secured 10 men during the day, after hard rustling. These he took with him.

Until very recently there was a large number of unemployed Mexicans in all parts of the southwest. This condition has changed within the last month or so. Labor agents are now hard pressed to secure enough men to attend to the demand for rough labor on various construction crews. This applies both to railroad and smelter building.

Local Democrats are wearing a much worried expression due to the fear that the refusal of the legislature to pass the state election law will have an unfavorable effect upon the party vote. The house has turned down this bill and the state local Democratic leadership is openly gathering.

The exact effect of the failure to pass the law has not yet been determined. The local attorneys consulted seem to differ upon the vital points. It is agreed that the county officials all over the state will have to stand for reelection this fall. The state officers will carry over until 1914. The lawyers disagree as to whether Hay-

den can hold office as congressman until 1914. Some take the ground that Arizona will be without a representative at the next session of congress. The Elks of this city have been extended an invitation to participate in a smoker to be given by the Bisbee Elks the 25th of this month. A party of the Hill city, has personally been in the city to extend the invitation.

Edward D. Haley, Arizona representative of the board of Sunday schools of the Methodist Episcopal church, and one of the leading workers in the Anti-Saloon league, will be here on business connected with the church, expressed hope of securing the passage of the county unit bill at this session of the legislature.

This bill, which the anti-saloonists plan to take the place of the local option law, would provide that no matter how the vote in incorporated towns or cities might go, the majority would control. It would be especially effective in Maricopa county, Haley stated, Phoenix being the only wet town in the county. The principal fight is being made, he stated, by the Maricopa delegation, seconded by the Anti-Saloon league.

Andy Scott and W. M. Adamson were the successful bidders for the road to all the county road between the end of the state highway, just this side of Lowell, to the city limits of Bisbee.

A City Built on Rubies.
Looking at the quaint, picturesque town of Mogok, Burma, nestled in wooded hills dotted with temples and bungalows, who would dream that its life has been a life of dream mysteries and awful crimes? Yet the Ruby City has seen things not to be recounted because of its treasures from King Solomon's day to that of King Theban. Indeed, were it not for the red glowing stones a king would be reigning at Mandalay.

In Mogok they see everything in a ruby light, men, women and children. Every visitor must want to buy, they think. However hungry or thirsty the traveler may be on arrival, the first thing he hears spoken of is rubies. All Mogok seems to be fishing with bamboo bolsters. And they are fishing for rubies in the precious "byon" that rivals in richness the famous "blue ground" of Kimberley—Technical World.

DEVELOPMENT

WORK PUSHED ON THE EXTENSION

Bisbee Hears That Southwestern Will Use Up Slag Piles.

Bisbee, Ariz., May 14.—That trains will be in operation shortly over the Tucson division of the El Paso & Southwestern, is the belief of those who have recently been over the extension route. Work on the Lewis Springs Fairbank cutoff is rapidly nearing completion, and the end of this week will see the work finished. The work has been carried the steel and ties to a point within a mile of Charleston, and will be into that place within the next two days.

The grade there has not been quite completed and the track laying gang has not caught up with the graders. The graders will complete their work today, however, and then the steel will be laid. A large part of the steel, which has been loaded and shipped to New Mexico, on the Santa Fe, where the contractors will be engaged for some time, in the outfit are 75 laborers, 125 head of mules, in addition to wagons and scrapers. When the stone cut at the Boston mill is made, the steel laying gang will be able to push the rail work into Fairbank.

The bridge at Fairbank is nearly completed and will be finished by the time the steel train reaches that point and there will be no delay in getting past the San Pedro river towards the Fairbank. The concrete construction company has completed the concrete culverts on the cutoff and has loaded its outfit preparatory to departure. Near the Boston mill hill is being used now and it is expected that before June 1 the new grade from Lewis Springs to Fairbank will be in use.

It is reported that the El Paso & Southwestern railroad bed from El Paso to Douglas and from the old Copper Queen dump at Bisbee, is this is true, it will work quite a change in the topography of Bisbee, as Slag Dump Hill, which has been a landmark for years, will be removed. The report that the slag dump has caused a revival of the talk that the Southwestern is building a transcontinental railway in sections.

WELLS ARE DRILLED IN PORTALES COUNTRY

Portales, N. M., May 14.—Portales is remodeling the cottage formerly owned by Mr. Heck, near the square, and will move into it as soon as it is completed.

Mr. Carlisle, who drilled the well for Oil, Gas and Coal Storage company, reports that the plant has been installed and the well is one of the best in the valley, pumping 20 gallons per minute. The well is being drilled to a depth of 100 feet. Mr. Bailey is having another well drilled, and will move into it as soon as it is completed.

The Connally well, which gave some trouble at first on account of sand, has been fully developed and is one of the best. This well is pumping from 1200 to 1400 gallons per minute. The well is being drilled to a depth of 100 feet. Mr. Bailey is having another well drilled, and will move into it as soon as it is completed.

MACHINERY FOR NEW ICE PLANT RECEIVED

Miami, Ariz., May 14.—A large shipment of machinery has arrived for the Miami Ice and Cold Storage company, which is a part of the machinery to be used in the new ice plant which is under course of construction and will be completed by June 1. Two 50 horsepower boilers which arrived last week have been set in place and the construction of the building is progressing very rapidly.

ARTESIA MILL PUTS IN LARGER ENGINE

Commencement Exercises Are Held by Artesia High School.

Artesia, N. M., May 14.—The Artesia alfalfa mill company has installed a \$5000 engine of 150 horse power which will enable the company to handle its increased business. The engine burns a low grade solar oil.

The commencement exercises of the high school were held in the Baptist church when an address was given by the state superintendent of instruction, Alvin N. White. The graded schools held a May carnival on the school grounds.

J. J. Sullivan has resigned as a member of the school board. S. W. Gilbert was chosen as his successor. The high school gave a very successful rendition of the play "Pygmalion and Galatea" at the Majestic theater.

Joe Clayton and J. H. McCreary caught a 42 pound catfish in the Pecos river near Lakewood.

A thorough test in the raising of sugar beets is being made in this section of the Pecos valley. From Hagerman to Lakewood 52 patches have been set out to beets under the supervision of experts and if the test proves a success a sugar beet factory will be installed.

G. M. Brown and L. N. Corrington have formed a partnership in the real estate business.

J. J. Sullivan is a candidate for the appointment of state bank examiner to be created by the legislature. Orchardists are having their fruit trees sprayed.

At the Democratic convention at Carlsbad, C. U. McClary, E. C. Higgins, Gayle Talbot, H. Jackson, W. B. Platteau and Whit Wright of Artesia were elected delegates to the state convention at Clovis.

The above expression is one which is used frequently in connection with hair preparations. Just exactly what is meant by it in each instance is the question. Baldness is not a disease and hence does not permit of a cure. It is a result invariably to be traced to the hair falling out and the condition has become chronic, that is, if there is complete atrophy of the hair follicles, a "cure" is absolutely impossible.

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